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Honorable Byron R. White
Deputy Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. White:

I received your letter of June 22, 1961 with the enclosed copy of the letter to the Attorney General from the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland concerning the prosecution of [redacted] for criminal income tax evasion. Our files

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[redacted]

Our information on [redacted] indicated that it is a sizable activity. A [redacted] report of [redacted] indicates that [redacted] is one of several [redacted] enterprises in

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[redacted] The only financial details in this report were obtained from [redacted] who said that the company [redacted]

We understand that [redacted] has a good reputation in the [redacted] and is one of the only companies of its kind in the area. As such we feel it is important that control should not be in hands unfriendly to the United States. However, if [redacted] is forced to sell his stock interest, we do not believe it necessarily follows that the sale would be to unfriendly interests, and we, therefore, do not recommend that the question of whether to prosecute be determined on that point alone.

As to the utilization of [redacted] as a witness for the prosecution, we feel that [redacted] into the United States would have unfortunate repercussions throughout Latin America. We have consulted with the Department of State and agree that if his testimony can be taken by a deposition this would pose no problem. Since [redacted] is taking legal measures to re-enter the United States, the Department of State has informed us that it would not concur in any deal in connection with [redacted] testimony. Should the question of immunity of any sort be promised to [redacted] or considered, the Department of State informs us that it would like to be consulted in advance.

I trust the foregoing is responsive to your inquiry, and if there is anything more we can do in this connection, please call me or our General Counsel, Mr. Lawrence R. Houston, who is familiar with this matter.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

*Hand delivered
by Gen Counsel*

CONCUR

[redacted]

Deputy Director (Plans)

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